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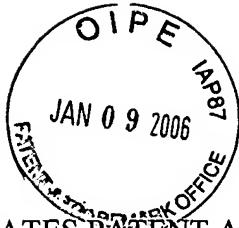
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This responds to the Office action mailed October 6, 2005. A response is due by January 6, 2006. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.